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TENTATIVE AGENDA STATE ADMINISTRATION AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS INTERIM COMMITTEE September 15, 2008 Room 102, State Capitol

All times are tentative

- 8:30 Call meeting to order; roll call: Rep. Franke Wilmer, Presiding Officer
- 8:31 Approve minutes of the April 28 and June 30, 2008 meetings
- 8:32 Old Business: Reconsider agency proposals for legislation:
Department of Administration: Janet Kelly, Director, and D of A staff
DOA #15: Provide to the Board of County Printing rulemaking authority and authorize the Board to "adopt and publish" the maximum rates and printing standards as an administrative rule(s). Sen. Gebhardt has requested further consideration of DOA # 15.
Commissioner of Political Practices: Comm. Dennis Unsworth and CoPP staff
CoPP #5: Clarify that ethics complaints and related documents submitted to the CPP are public records except in cases where the demand of individual privacy clearly exceeds the merits of public disclosure.
Office of the Secretary of State: Honorable Brad Johnson, Sec. of State, and staff
Briefing of Committee by SOS staff on the drive by the SOS Office to improve and enhance the dissemination of board and commission appointment information.
SOS #4: Statutorily enable enhanced public information and efficiency by directing individuals to SOS website information for the board and commission appointments instead of publishing printed notice through the Administrative Rules Unit of the Secretary of State's office.
- Public comment on proposals for legislation by DOA, CoPP, SOS
Committee action on proposals
- 9:15 New Business: New proposals for legislation
Judges' Retirement System: Honorable Ed McLean, Judge, 4th Judicial District
Revise the Judges' Retirement System by retaining the multiplier at 3 1/3% of the member's current salary for each of the first 15 years of service credit but increasing the current 1.785% of current salary for each year of service credit after 15 years to 3 1/3% a year for each year of service credit after 15 years.
LC 150: Clarify sponsor notification for administrative rules -- Sue O'Connell, Research Analyst. LC 150 is a bill drafting request originally made by the Children, Families, Health and Human Services Interim Committee (CFHHS). Conversations among Rep. Diane Sands, Rep. Wilmer, and staff suggest that the SAVA is better suited to consider the proposal than is the CFHHS.
- Public comment on proposals for legislation; Committee action on proposals
- 9:45 CoPP Report on budgeted Investigator to reduce backlog, etc.

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10:15: Committee assignment of sponsors for legislation requested by the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee:

General Topics

- LC0018: Purpose statement for MAPA
- LC0201: Revise MAPA regarding amendment of rationale
- LC0150: Clarify sponsor notification for administrative rules
- LC0090: Exempt military pensions from state income tax

HJR 46 Study of Election Laws

- LC0035: Revise and clarify state election laws
- LC0036: Youth election judges
- LC0059: Revise absentee ballot laws and changes caused by death of candidate
- LC0060: Mail ballot pilot project
- LC0106: Allow election administrators to determine use of autoMARK voting machines at certain elections. Briefing by SOS staff.

11:00 Policy and Process Regarding Legislation Affecting State Employee Retirement Systems -- Statement of Retirement Policy; Interim Committee Workflow; Consideration of Retirement Legislation.

- Overview of Some Other States' Policies on Public Employee Retirement Systems: Dave Bohyer, LSD Research Director
- Insights, Comments, Suggestions of Stakeholders:
 - David Senn, Ex. Dir., Teachers' Retirement System
 - Roxanne Minnehan, Ex. Dir., Public Employees' Retirement Administration
 - Tom Schneider, MPEA
 - Others
- Public comment
- Committee discussion and action

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1:00 Reconvene

1:01 HJR 46 Final Report: Sue O'Connell, Research Analyst. Committee members have received a copy of the final report and the report has been posted to the SAVA web site. Ms. O'Connell will respond to members' questions, comments, suggestions, etc.

- Public comment

1:30 Administrative Rule matters -- David Niss, LSD staff attorney

1:45 Public comment on any subject within the Committee's purview

2:15 Other Committee business

- Member issues
- Instructions to staff
- Other

2:30 Adjourn